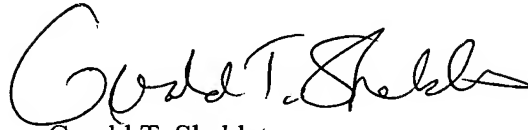


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Please correct FIG. 1 as shown in the attached corrected FIG.1 marked in red.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gerald T. Shekleton". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Gerald" being more prominent and the last name "Shekleton" following in a similar style.

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Comment

In the originally filed Fig. 1, a leader line of the quartz crucible 3 is drawn from a surface of melt. However, the leader line of the quartz crucible 3 should be drawn from the correct portion of the crucible 3.

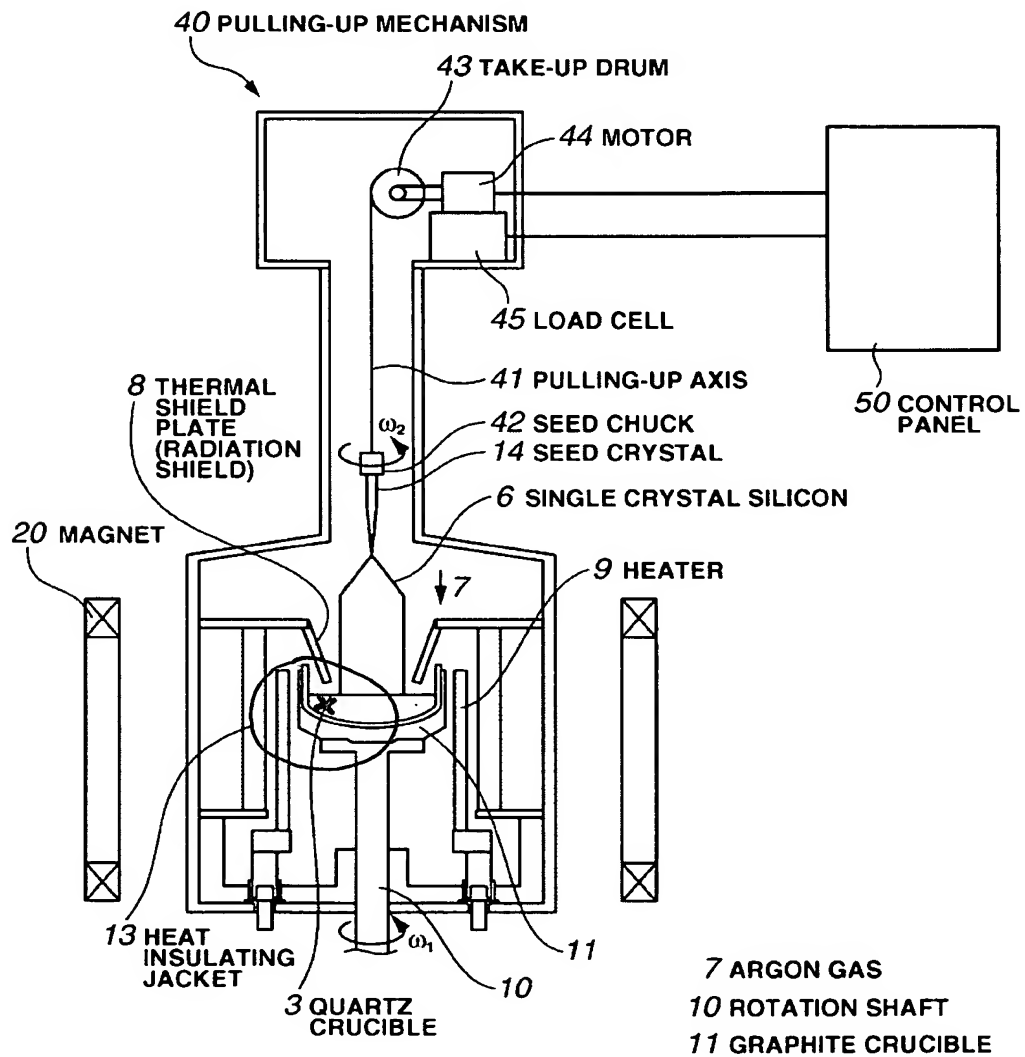


FIG.1